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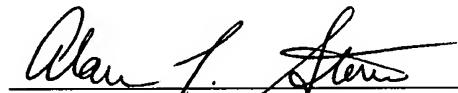
The Specification is amended to remove the objected-to paragraph. The amendment is deemed to be made to further prosecution of the application and obtain allowance.

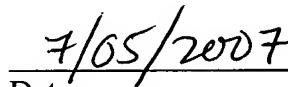
Claim 21 is herewith canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. The Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional or continuation applications to further prosecution of the canceled claims.

Claim 22 is herein amended to be an independent claim. Note that in amending claim 22, minor modifications have been made for purposes of clarity, including the addition of one or more commas and semicolons. The full range of equivalents for claim 22 should remain intact.

This Amendment should place the application in condition for allowance. Should any unresolved issue remain, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' agent at the telephone number indicated below.

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